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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Your Speech to the United Nations

The regional initiative set out in your speech to the United Nations is a splendid one. But it needs to be touched up slightly to avoid damaging the morale of resistance forces and nations supporting them, and creating the impression that we have abandoned the objectives you have asserted so often.

The last sentence on page 10 says, "But in every case the primary task is to promote this goal: eliminating the foreign military presence and the flow of outside arms." If that is all that happens, the resistance would be put out of business and the Communist regimes with their superior military strength would simply consolidate their position. The freedom fighters would have lost what they have sacrificed so much for. This sentence would be much improved if the word "eliminating" were replaced by the words "verified, reciprocal and simultaneous elimination of..."

The first sentence of page 11 says, "Finally, if these first two steps were successful, we could move on to the third, etc." This, with the rest of the paragraph, implies that if the flow of arms were stopped, the governing Communist regimes would be welcomed back into the world economy and the U.S. would respond generously.

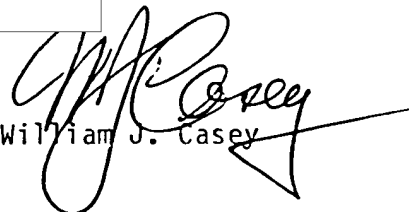
Your support for the goals of the freedom fighters needs to be clarified by adding something like this:

"For the United States, success means arrangements which assure democratic, political participation and human rights for all as well as the withdrawal of foreign secret police and military personnel from those countries. If that occurs in any of these countries, the United States would respond with generous economic aid and would welcome their return to the family of nations."

If your speech fails to specify the requirements of political participation and verified withdrawal, which you have publicly asserted so many times, then we will be perceived to have altered the policy

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Don,

The original of this memorandum has gone to the President. A copy has also gone to Bud McFarlane.

I tried to get you on the phone this afternoon to tell you it's important.

Bill